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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 10, 2022:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45′ N lat, 131°18.90′ W long to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point at 55°13.04' N lat, 131°25.17' W long to Point Davison Light at 54°59.64' N lat, 131°36.84′ W long, then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed south of a line from Quadra Point at 55°05.15′ N lat, 130°59.10′ W long to Slate Island Light at 55°05.29' N lat, 131°03.17' W long, east of a line from Slate Island Light to Black Rock Light at 55°01.42' N lat, 131°03.59' W long, and north of a line from Black Rock Light to a point on the mainland shore at 55°01.40′ N lat, 131°00.20′ W long.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 10, 2022:

District 2: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Polk Island at 55°00.73′ N lat with the following restrictions:

Kendrick Bay: will be closed west of 131°59.00′ W long;

McLean Arm: will be closed west of 131°57.80′ W long;

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Sunday, July 10, 2022:

District 4: will be open.

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 10, 2022:

Section 7-A: will be open south of the latitude of Point Warde at 56°10.43' N lat.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 10, 2022:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following area:

Point Augusta: will be open within 0.5 nautical miles (nmi) of the Chichagof Island shoreline east of a line from a marker at 58°02.44′ N lat, 134°57.50′ W long to a point at 58°03.00′ N lat 134°57.85′ W long, south of 58°03.00′ N lat, and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N lat (located 1.0 nmi south of Point Augusta Light).

District 13

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 10, 2022:

Section 13-B: Redoubt Bay, Kanga Bay, and contiguous waters will be open east of 135°22.76′ W long.

<u>Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions</u>: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained and may be sold. For all other fishing areas, Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. These restrictions will be in effect until at least July 31, 2022.

When under nonretention of Chinook salmon 28 inches or larger, purse seine fishermen are encouraged to quickly release Chinook salmon in a manner that minimizes mortality. If Chinook salmon greater than 28 inches are retained, the fisherman is in violation and may be issued a citation. Retained Chinook salmon will be donated, and the fisherman may be subject to the cost associated with processing the fish for donation. On the fish ticket, the number and weight of the fish must be recorded and the disposition code "86-Donated" must be used.

Fishermen, tenders, and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

To date, only 100 sockeye salmon have been counted at the Hugh Smith Lake weir. The current weir count projects to a total escapement of 1,500 sockeye salmon, well below the optimal escapement goal range of 8,000–18,000 sockeye salmon. The department will continue to monitor the sockeye salmon escapement as the season progresses and may take management actions in District 1 through statistical week 33.

There are no scheduled common property purse seine openings for the Hidden Falls THA in 2022. Due to a low projected run of chum salmon, the Hidden Falls THA will be managed for broodstock. NSRAA will assess run strength through a weekly test fishery and if excess chum salmon to broodstock needs are available, common property openings may be announced. Purse seiners are advised that openings may be announced with a minimum 24-hour notice, if necessary, to maximize fish quality.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Tuesday, July 12, 2022.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S2922.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Mid-week 28

Preliminary Estimates Compiled July 8, 2022

NUMBERS OF SALMON

Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 1	0	300	100	27,000	2,500	29,900	16
District 2	0	900	350	10,000	58,000	69,250	44
Total	0	1,200	450	37,000	60,500	99,150	60

	FISH PER BOAT						
Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	0	19	6	1,688	156	1,869	
District 2	0	20	8	227	1,318	1,574	

Neets Bay THA harvest to date: 3,000 Chinook and 2,200 chum salmon.

Carroll Inlet THA harvest to date: 5,200 Chinook salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 1,800 Chinook, 30 sockeye, and 300 chum salmon.

Thomas Bay and Southeast Cove THAs harvest to date: confidential. Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 620 Chinook and 6,200 chum salmon.

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